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At the last stage of the fashion show, Kuru holds in the pain on her injured foot and promises with her friends that she will do her best. After the fashion show, Tooya and Kuru's new future is coming, but a shadow comes between them and opposes their relationship.

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Finally, the fashion show is over. Kuri can feel the pain from the injured ankle, but promise to her friends that she will do her best – an exciting result and announcement.

The relationship between kuri and Tooya progresses, but a shadow figure appears who tries to tear their relationship apart?!

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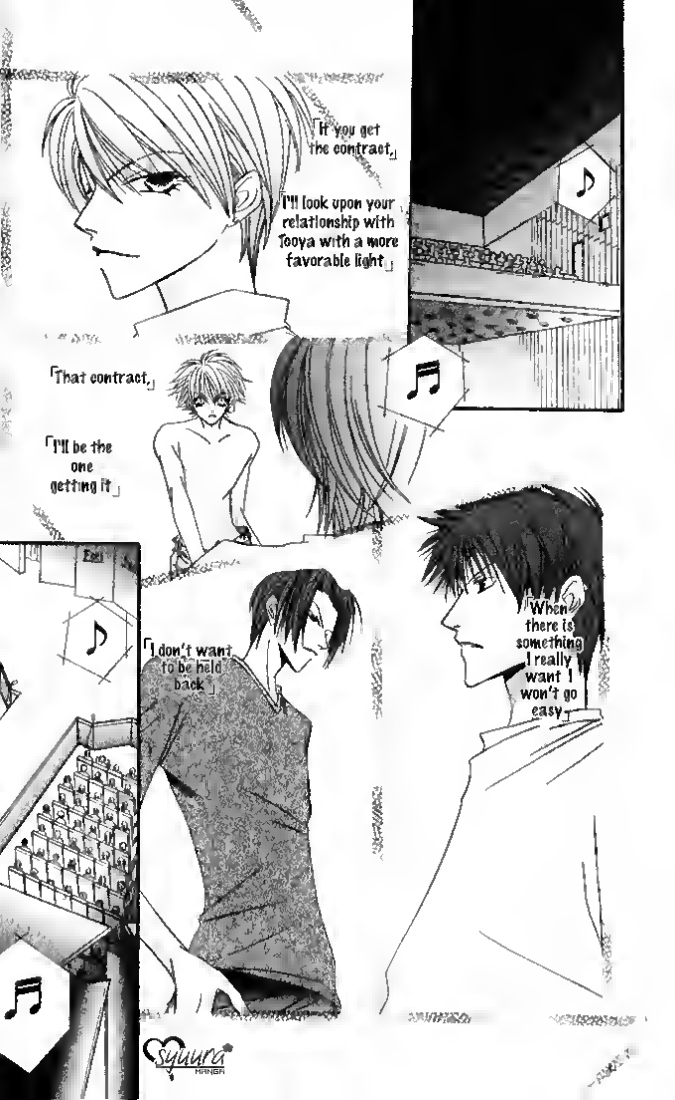
Love & Peace

Like how you love someone,
Someone is in love with someone,
and is loved by someone.


「If you get the contract,」
「I'll look upon your relationship with Tooya with a more favorable light」
「That contract,」
「I'll be the one getting it」
End
「I don't want to be held back」
When there is something I really want I won't go easy
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「Don't give up!」
「I'll teach you everything I know.」
「Do your best!」
「Do your best!」
♪
♫
THROB
THROB
THROB

「Do your best」
HERE I GO
FLASH

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YOUR FOOT... IS IT OKAY?
EVEN IF I ASKED YOU THAT,
YOU'D PROBABLY SAY, "IT'S FINE."
SHUSH
JUST BARE IT FOR A LITTLE MORE.
Kanou

「Do your best!」
It's all right.
It's okay
It's okay
Everyone's feelings will support me through this
PAIN
AH

PAIN
ARG
foot feels so heavy ...
When I stop the steps,
it becomes harder to start again...
Whenever I don't pay attention, I drag that foot along the ground.
I have to concentrate and step firmly with each step...
ALTHOUGH IT HURTS

Kanou's pace..
PAIN·PAIN·PAIN·PAIN
SWOOSH
SWOOSH
KYAA.
BUT I CAN'T GRIMACE EITHER
gotta pay attention to all aspects...
ah...
uh?
BUT I CAN'T JUST CONCENTRATE ON MYSELF ...
have to make sure I don't fall behind kanou too much...
If we can keep going like this, till the end...
he... is matching my pace..
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After this there's still the stop and pose and the turn around left.
I don't remember the stage being so long...
till the end...
PAIN
have to make sure this foot lasts till the end...
PAIN
pose, and turn...
not to mention the turn... the first step after stopping ...
both of them put the weight on the injured foot.
Every time that foot touches the ground, this scorching pain shoots down my body...
like my blood is boiling.
so hot, so painful,
so hot... so painful...
If I stop like this...
I might not be able to move again...

hoy

Let me depend on you this once.
sorry.
ah, but...
this is something Kanou improvised just now...
Is it ok for me to take this hand...
Hand...?
this wasn't in the rehearsal.
I'LL HELP YOU UP TO THE TURN.
Syuura

I CAN SUPPORT YOU UP TO THE TURN, SO FOLLOW MY LEAD
I'LL GO FIRST. FOLLOW ME ONE BEAT LATER.
AFTER THAT YOU HAVE TO DO IT ALONE GOOD LUCK
I UNDER-STAND
THANKS
Right now Kanou's back is support-ing me
giving me a lot of support from the blind spot
LET'S GO
SWISH
I have to do my best

PAIN
고통
LIFE
인생

Success!

only five more steps
4
3
2
TMP
TWIST
Done
AH!
!
WORRIED

GOOD JOB.
YOU DID WELL.
TO... TOOYA!
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP

CLAP
CLAP
GOOD JOB.
YOU DID WELL.
GOOD JOB.
GOOD JOB EVERYONE.
THANK YOU!
GOOD JOB EVERY ONE

Ah, ah...
YA...
It's done...
GOOD JOB EVERYONE.
HOLD IT!

ANYWAY, IT'S NOT OVER YET.
How much longer are you going to stick to Tsuyu!
THE SITUATION AT HAND!
OF COURSE, YOU CAN'T SAY THAT THE SHOW DIDN'T FINISH SUCCESSFULLY, BUT...
KYAA!
SHINK
???
THERE'S STILL THE CLOSURE.
hmm
SO...
I'VE DECIDED TO LET YOU ACCOMPANY ME.

I MEAN, I'VE NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU'D DO SO WELL.
THIS IS YOUR REWARD.
I'M TALKING ABOUT THE SHOW'S HIGHLIGHT!
「EH?」? WHAT THE HELL IS 「EH?」!
EH?
HOLD ON FOR A LITTLE BIT LONGER! THIS TIME WE'RE WITH YOU
WE'LL HELP YOU WITH YOUR FOOT
AKIRA?!
you knew?
THIS IS OUR LAST JOB TOGETHER.
—...!
what are you guys talking about?
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OK
I'M IN YOUR HANDS

AND SO? THE RESULT—
A TWISTED ANKLE THAT'LL TAKE TWO WEEKS TO HEAL?
Is that it?
YA—
THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS
WHAT IF YOU HAD BROKEN IT!
ARE YOU AN IDIOT?!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE COMFORTING HER?
WHAT
GEEZ TOOYA!
IF YOU KNEW IF SHE WAS INJURED, YOU SHOULD HAVE STOPPED HER.
you're so useless!
THERE ARE SOME-THINGS YOU CAN'T STOP!
CALM DOWN—

TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: DEATH GLARE FROM KANOU XDDDDD LOL!!

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I DID SOME STUBBORN THINGS,
GOT A LOT OF SUPPORT,
AND THOUGH I WAS TROUBLE-SOME TILL THE END,
THE MOMENT I HEARD "GOOD JOB,"
IT MADE ME FEEL KIND OF GOOD ABOUT MY STUBBOR-NESS.
MADE ME PROUD OF THE ME
WHO PER-SISTED TILL THE END.

You
under
stand
now?
EH?
HAHAHA.
OF COURSE, IT WAS MADE POSSIBLE WITH EVERYONE'S SUPPORT
I'm lucky
You just got it now?
Eh?
Eh?
I GUESS WHEN IT COMES TO KIRI, YOU JUST CAN'T SAY "NO"
Sigh
IT WAS A GOOD SHOW.
HOWEVER,

THANKS
TOK
EXCUSE ME FOR A BIT ---
ow
YOU GUYS ARE HERE, WELCOME ♡
CREAK

OH THESE? THEY'RE GET-WELL GIFTS FOR TATSUKI.
some from Kanon, Koji and Seiji too
EH?
ah, so tired
WHAT ARE THOSE ..?
THERE ARE CARDS TOO,
SO READ THEM LATER.
From everyone...
That Kun is Tatsuki.
Yup. I heard clearly
DAFUQ!
Natsu, you heard?!
ACK
Wow, there are a lot
Syuura

HEHEH
THAT'S GREAT
YEAH
Once again, I'm so glad I worked hard till the end

experienced a lot of things.
GLOMP
Ah.
wait Yuuki
A lot of things happened.
FWB
hi ya~
met a variety of people.
nice to see you guys!~
what you're here too?
hey hey
IF YOU LIKE ANY OF THEM, I CAN ENLARGE FOR THEM FOR YOU.
AH, THANK YOU
I BROUGHT PICTURES FROM THE FASTION SHOW.
actually I sat in the photo section commitment~
Though there were some problems along the way.

In the end, I'm really happy.
This stage, which can be regarded as my first,
along with its irreplaceable memories have become past tense for me

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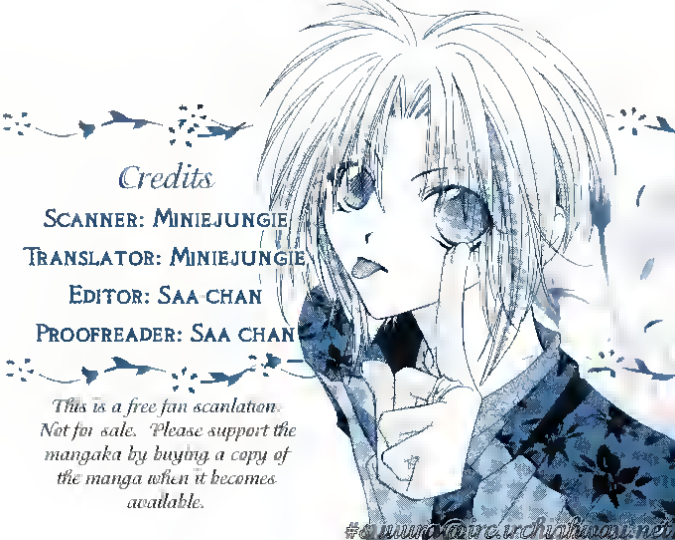

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CHAPTER 44

It's already the twelvth edition of the NEO TOKYO COLLECTION.
On the gentleman's side there are three new labels standing out—...
This time the outstanding Feel also performed extrodinarily.
the days still feel so long.
But once it finishes,
I'll then feel like it went by in a flash...
The fashion season has already finished.
It finished in a big success.
Even though I concentrated everything on the fashion show during the entire summer,

Nostalgia and solitude...
It's all melting into one.
But, the feeling is very warm.
THERE'S STILL ONE VERY IMPORTANT THING LEFT! IT'S THE BREAKING POINT OF PROMISES!
EXCLUSIVE EXCLUSIVE EXCLUSIVE EXCLUSIVE
NO——!
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT IT——!
出下刻
AHHH!
WHAT REALITY ARE YOU TRYING TO ESCAPE FROM?! TRYING TO DREAM YOUR WAY OUT?!
하나
I CAN'T SLEEP AT NIGHT, I CAN'T EAT A SINGLE THING, MY FACE IS A COMPLETE MESS..
Aiya then
ahahah..
FOR THE FAST FEW DAYS FROM THE MORNING TO THE AFTERNOON TO THE EVENING- MY HEART POUNDS WHEN I HEAR THE TELEPHONE RING

I'LL SAY THIS BEFOREHAND,
IF YOU DON'T GET THE EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT, THEN YOU MUST OBEDIENTLY GIVE UP TOOYA.
JUST LIKE WE PROMISED, THERE WILL BE NOTHING LEFT. YOU WILL COMPLETELY GIVE HIM UP.
DIDN'T WE AGREE?
THAT'S RIGHT, WE DID...
EVEN THOUGH I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN...
BUT...
...YEAH.

RING RING RING
깜
짝

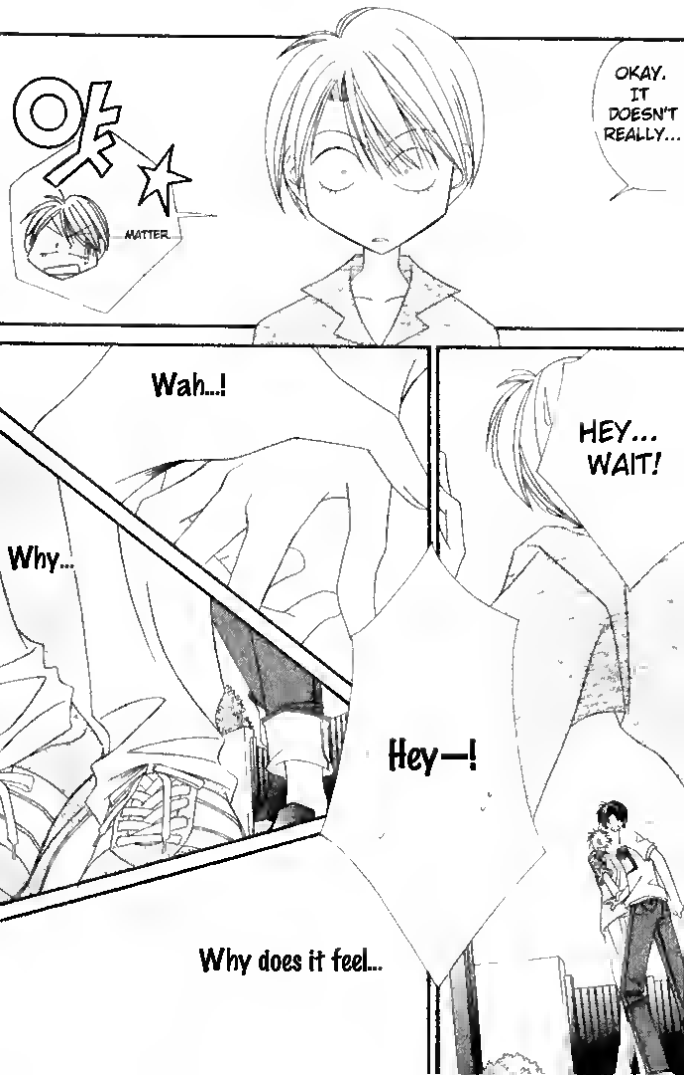
띵동
AH! THERE'S A GUEST!
Hey!
AH!
HEY! WHY ME?!
IT'S YOUR CELL PHONE!
YOU, YOU ANSWER IT!
HEY! DO YOU WANT TO SHORTEN MY LIFESPAN?!
Here!
.....
RING! RING!
DING DONG
COMING, COMING!
I'LL JUST ESCAPE FOR NOW!
EVEN THOUGH RUNNING AWAY WON'T SOLVE ANYTHING, BUT...
AH, HEY! WAIT!!
COMING! ♡
SORRY ABOUT THAT...
씨익

HI!
UM HEY, WHAT'S UP...
AH! MANO-SENSEI, HOW ARE YOU—!
TOOYA?
KEEPING GUARD
KIRI?
YEAH?
—...

I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU.
ARE YOU FREE NOW?

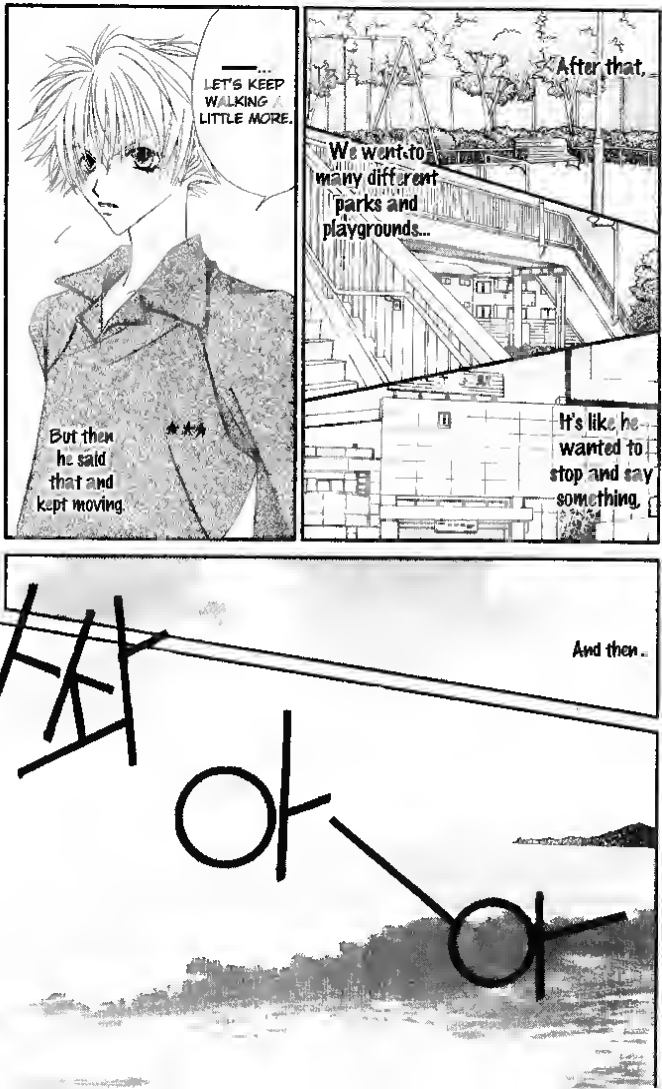
What's going on?
AH... UM...
Tooya...?
AIYA...! I'M STILL!
HOW SCARY!
KIRI!
Could it be that Mom used her evil powers on Tooya as well, and now she's forcing him to tell me that "we're over"——?!
HUH?
EH!
AH——! I'M SURROUNDED!
MANO-SENSEI JUST CALLED RIGHT NOW...
——AH, TOOYA?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

AH—!
I'M...
GOING TO BORROW KIRI FOR A MOMENT.


OKAY. IT DOESN'T REALLY...
Ok
MATTER
Wah...!
HEY... WAIT!
Why...
Hey—!
Why does it feel...

It's like...
there's this sense of... running away...
—...
We've been walking for 20 minutes straight.
And we're still walking
WALK WALK WALK WALK WALK
LIM... TOOYA? WHERE ARE WE GOING...
STOP!

SIL ENCE
Eh? Did I say something strange..?!
...
!!
AH..!
IT'S NOTHING COME WITH ME!
WHA-WHA-WHAT?!
FROZEN
"Ah"?
I...!
BLUSH
"I"?
Wha... What's going on...
Tooya?
Dammit...!


——... LET'S KEEP WALKING A LITTLE MORE.
But then he said that and kept moving.
After that,
We went to many different parks and playgrounds...
It's like he wanted to stop and say something,
And then..

It's like there's something so big on Tooya'a mind that he can't even lift his head...
I wonder why...
We spent over an hour walking and changed at multiple stations to get here...
AHHHHHHH!!
The final destination is the beach!!
It really is the beach!! It most definitely is the beach!! Why is it the beach?!
Wah— It's so vast...
What am I doing...
Am I stupid?
KIRI.
MM—
What was the reason for all my hard work up to today?!
Everything was for this day, wasn't it?

THANKS FOR BRINGING ME HERE
AT FIRST I THOUGHT THAT I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GO TO THE BEACH THIS YEAR.
NOW THAT I GOT TO COME HERE BEFORE THE END OF SUMMER, I'M SO HAPPY! ♡
—...
HHH!

BEFORE I CAME TO YOUR HOUSE I RECEIVED A CALL.
IT'S ABOUT THE EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT.
YEAH?
Ah—
It feels nice—
KIRI.
IT'S BEEN DECIDED.
I GOT IT.

To get the exclusive contract It's impossible.
—. Ah...
Really?!
It's Tooya?
If you really think that way then you must completely give up Tooya!
YEAH, CONGRATULATIONS
Even though I never really thought that I could get it,
EVEN THOUGH I UNDERSTAND...
TOOYA, YOU WORKED REALLY HARD FOR THIS!
"Give up!"

Could it be... That it'll all just end like this...?
AH...!
I haven't even expressed anything clearly to him...
Uh oh!
If Mom is anything like she usually is, she'll definitely...
You could even say that she's heartless!!
Use any and every way possible to break us apart!!
Ah! She would, she would definitely!
I definitely don't want this...
I should at least confess my feelings...
AH... LISTEN, I ..

STOP!
BEFORE YOU SAY ANYTHING, LISTEN TO ME FIRST.
TOOYA?
FROM NOW ON,
I NEED TO TELL YOU ABOUT SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT
BECAUSE TO ME, IT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT MATTER
THAT'S WHY,
I HOPE THAT YOU CAN LET ME SPEAK FIRST
I'VED WORKED SO HARD FOR THIS MOMENT.
I HOPE YOU CAN LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY FIRST.

Tooya...?
THAT'S WHY I WANT YOU TO LISTEN UNTIL THE END.
PLEASE DON'T INTERRUPT ME.
HAVE A SMALL BODY BUILD, AND I'M NOT THAT RELIABLE.
I CAN'T EVEN SAY SOMETHING THAT SOUNDS NICE AND WISE.
I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF I WAS VERY FAR FROM YOUR EXPECTATIONS OF A MAN.
I...
FU...

THAT'S WHY I SWORE NOT TO BE A WEAKLING. I DIDN'T WANT TO SAY ANYTHING BEFORE I HAD ANYTHING TO PROVE FOR IT.
This is the first time that Tooya has ever said this,
and no one has ever known the real Tooya.
I FOUND OUT THAT I DON'T HAVE ANY ACHIEVMENTS TO BE PROUD OF.
I FOUND OUT THAT I'M EVEN WEAKER THAN I ORIGINALLY THOUGHT I WAS,
This...
EVEN IF I WANTED TO PROTECT YOU,
OR THE CONFIDENCE TO GIVE YOU THE SUITABLE PROTECTION.
I DON'T HAVE THE ARMS OR POWER TO HOLD YOU,

GETTING THE EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT HAS ALLOWED ME TO MOVE FORWARD FROM WHERE I WAS BEFORE.
THOSE WORDS I REALLY WANT TO TELL YOU.
SO NOW I CAN FINALLY SAY IT TO YOU,

I LIKE YOU.

I...
LIKE YOU, KIRI.
It's stopped..
There's only a few centimeters between me and the pair of hands in front of me..
They're lightly holding me——
EVEN THOUGH...
MY HANDS ARE STILL NOT RELIABLE,
The only thing I could hear was Tooya's voice.
The sound of the waves is covered by Tooya's hands.
IT SOUNDS SO FAR AWAY.
I WILL USE EVERYTHING THAT I HAVE TO PROTECT YOU.
I WANT TO USE THESE PAIR OF HANDS TO HOLD YOU TIGHTLY.
PLEASE ALLOW ME TO PROTECT YOU, KIRI.

YES ..!
—UM ..
PLEASE CHOOSE ME
TO BECOME THE ONLY MAN WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO PROTECT YOU
I LIKE YOU, KIRI

I ALSO...
LIKE YOU,
TOOYA
UM...
THANK YOU.

There were a lot of times when we wanted to stop,
but we never gave up.
We walked for a long time.
The day which we've dreamed of has finally come.
Both of us carried the same feelings, working diligently for this...
Even though we had to walk really far,
it definitely wasn't for nothing.

Because, from now on,
we can work together towards our future.
I'M HOME
YOU'RE BACK!
—
HMPH!
퍽
AH!
THAT HURTS! WHY'D YOU SUDDENLY...
—
9 PM
WHAT TIME IS IT?

JEEZ!
DURING SUCH AN IMPORTANT TIME
THE EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT HAS BEEN DECIDED, IT'S TOOYA
WHERE DID YOU GO?!
WHAT DID YOU DO?!
WHY ARE YOU SO LATE?!
NOOO!
IS IT ME? IS IT MY FAULT
퍽 퍽
AT THIS RATE, WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
YOU BETTER KEEP YOUR PROMISE AND GIVE UP TOOYA!
THE STRATEGY OF SPEAKING FIRST FAILED!! (RAPIDLY)
A-...! ABOUT THIS!!
I NEED TO TAKE CHARGE, AND TELL HER EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED TODAY!!
IT'S COMING! IT'S COMING! THIS SUBJECT!!
SHARP GLANCE!
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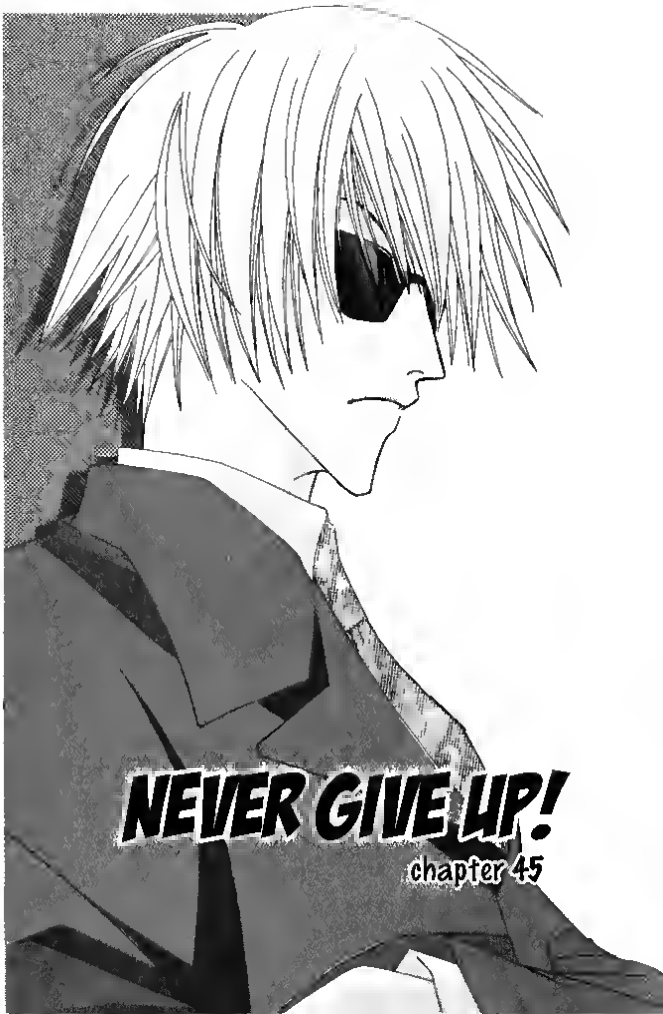
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"I like you."
"...like you, Kiri."
That just happened a few hours ago

For Tooya, this was what...
...getting the exclusive contract meant...
The words that Tooya... said to me
He finally said those words to me
And with that
I also...
like you, Tooya
I could finally begin a new journey with Tooya
But then

EH--!!
Happiness will never last for long.
YOU BETTER KEEP YOUR PROMISE. GIVE UP ON TOOYA!

I CAN'T POSSIBLY LET IT GO JUST BECAUSE OF THIS!!
LISTEN HERE, I...

ALTHOUGH I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN
Swallow

This so-called promise is—
For you to get the exclusive contract... It's impossible.
If you really think this way, then you must completely give up on Tooya!
And that's just what happened.

OF COURSE, YOU'VE ALREADY THOUGHT ABOUT THIS TOO, RIGHT?
RATHER THAN CALLING IT A PROMISE, A CONTRACT WOULD BE A MORE ACCURATE TERM, WOULDN'T IT? I'M SURE THAT YOU ALREADY UNDERSTOOD THAT...
Ahhhh
I ALSO HELPED YOU A LOT BECAUSE OF THIS CONTRACT, DIDN'T I?
FROM THE VERY START, WE ALREADY HAD THIS AGREEMENT.
SINCE YOU DIDN'T GET THE CONTRACT, I CAN'T HELP YOU.
Grip
...But, now is not the time to shake and tremble in fear. Go for it!!
IF YOU DARE LIE TO ME I WILL TORTURE YOU AND MURDER YOU IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE!
MOM...
AS LONG AS IT'S NOT TOOYA, I'M FINE WITH IT
Eh?
SHE'S SCARY!!
She's not kidding!

REGARDLESS OF THAT, HE IS OUR COMPANY'S MAIN REPRESENTATIVE
THIS WOULD CAUSE MANY TO RECOGNIZE HIM AND BECAUSE OF THIS HE'LL BECOME EVEN MORE FAMOUS THAN HE IS NOW
AN EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT HAS A LARGE VARIETY OF EXTRA BENEFITS!
FURTHERMORE, TOOYA HAS BEEN FEATURED IN A COMMERCIAL BEFORE
FUU...

IT'S NOT JUST OUR COMPANY, BUT FEEL IS THE SAME WAY
YOU DON'T WANT TO BECOME HOMELESS, SEARCHING FOR FOOD AND SHELTER EVERYDAY, RIGHT?
ANY GOSSIP ABOUT TOOYA
WILL REFLECT ON THE IMAGE OF OUR COMPANY

INSTEAD OF A WARM AND HAPPY FAMILY YOU WOULD STILL RATHER CHOOSE TOOYA?!
well? which one is it going to be?
SHE'S A MONSTER!
YOU DON'T CARE IF OUR FAMILY IS PUSHED TO OUR LIMITS AND OUR MOTHER-DAUGHTER RELATIONSHIP IS TORN APART AS LONG AS WE ALL STILL DIE TOGETHER?
.. OR MAYBE ...
shocked
MY ROAD OF ROMANCE WOULD SUDDENLY RESULT IN THE DESTRUCTION OF MY FAMILY?!
why why did it come to this?!
AT THIS POINT, WHAT CAN I SAY?!
OKAY, WHAT DID YOU WANT TO SAY?
IT'S NOTHING
I UNDER-STAND! I UNDER-STAND!!
EVEN THOUGH THE DOCTOR TOLD ME THAT IF I CONTINUED MY BODY WOULD BE IN DANGER, BUT I STILL WANTED TO CONTINUE GIVING BIRTH TO YOU
THINKING BACK TO 16 YEARS AGO
AH, HOW NOSTALGIC! I HAD TO HAVE AN OPERATION BECAUSE YOUR POSITION WASN'T RIGHT I SPENT 18 HOURS AND 49 MINUTES IN THAT DELIVERING ROOM.
SHOOT!
Good!
IF YOU UNDERSTAND THEN THAT'S GREAT ♡
THIS IS THE SECOND CONTRACT

I'M LEAVING
In the end, I still couldn't say it
XOXOX
Regardless of this, we still have to take these first steps to move forward
That's why I definitely can't give up here
Now that I really think of it, it really is a naive wish...
A CHILD'S WISH, FROM SOME PEOPLE'S POINT OF VIEW IS THE STRONGEST
ha ha ha!
But...
"I will definitely become a princess cuter than Tooyal"
"And then I'll get married to him!"

I have to find it!
Close
There must be some way
.....
WHAT? WHAT'S WITH THIS ABSOLUTELY CONSPICUOUS, SUSPICIOUS BLACK CAR?
Why is it in front of Tooyo's house...?

TOOYA'S KIDNAPPING INCIDENT
that incident
IT CAN'T BE MIKOTO AGAIN...
Anyways, this car seems like a bad omen to me
Especially since that incident last time
WAH! WAH! HOW EMBAR-RASSING!!
WHY DID I GO AND PEEK AT SOMEONE?!
THAT'S WHY I HATE THESE TINTED WINDOWS THE MOST!!
AHHH!!
.....
There was someone in there!

THE GIRL FROM NEXT DOOR...
...IS SOMEONE THAT I MUST KEEP IN MIND!

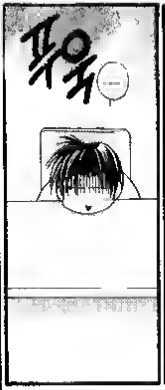
Drunken with happiness~~
YOU'RE HEAVY! YOU'RE HEAVY! YOU'RE HEAVY!
WHAT ARE YOU STARING OFF TO SPACE FOR?
You have such a dazed expression
HOW RUDE! I HAVEN'T GAINED ANY WEIGHT!
Lean
MORNING!

I FEEL LIKE I'VE FINALLY RETURNED TO THE LIFE OF A REGULAR STUDENT.
Hehe.
WHAT? WHY'D YOU SUDDENLY LAUGH?
Hiya!
NO, IT'S NOTHING.
I'VE BEEN REALLY BUSY DURING THE SUMMER, RUNNING HERE AND THERE FOR THE FASHION SHOW...
YEAH, THIS IS ALSO A JOYFUL PLACE, BUT...
I FEEL LIKE I'VE RETURNED TO BEING "KIRI".
EVERYONE WAS PLANNING ON VISITING YOU TOGETHER!
EVEN THOUGH WE DIDN'T MANAGE TO VISIT, IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE OKAY NOW...
MORNING! IS YOUR LEG BETTER NOW?
RETURNED ...?

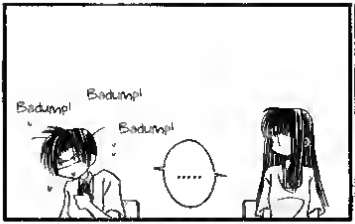
Smile
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN.
I'M COMPLETELY ALRIGHT NOW.

I APPRECIATE YOUR KINDNESS, BUT PLEASE!
PLEASE LET ME COOK MEALS FOR YOU! I'LL HELP BLOW THE FOOD COOLER FOR YOU TO EAT!
I'M WILLING TO COOK AND CLEAN FOR YOU! JUST TELL ME WHAT TO DO!
I'LL DEFINITELY GO VISIT NEXT TIME!!

AH, RIGHT DID I ASK YOU?
ABOUT WHAT?
Good job.


ZZZ...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! THE FIRST ONE WILL BE ME!
WHEN WILL THE NEXT TIME BE? I WANT TO BE THE FIRST ONE THERE!
PEOPLE WHO CAN'T MAKE BUNNY SHAPED APPLES SHOULD GO AWAY!
WHAT?!
To say that you've recovered
AFTER THIS SUMMER, THE PRINCELY MANNERS ARE ALREADY DEEPLY ROOTED WITHIN HER
wipes away a tear


Badump!
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IN THE END, THE EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT...
AHHH!

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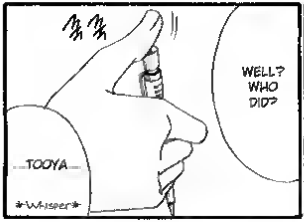
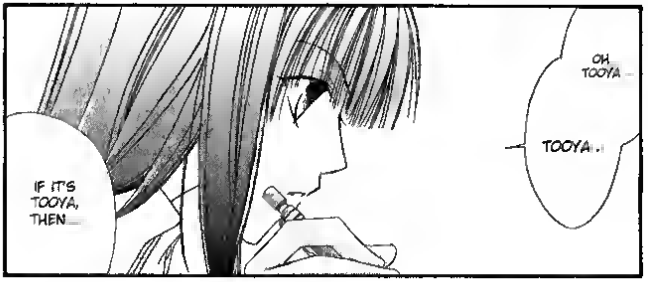

WELL? WHO DID?
...TOOYA...
Whisper

YOU DIDN'T GET IT!
AHHH .....


OH, TOOYA...
TOOYA..!
IF IT'S TOOYA, THEN...

"TOOYA'S EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT WILL CARRY THE COMPANY'S NAME..."
"...SO WE CAN'T HAVE ANY GOSSIP. THERE CANNOT BE ANY GIRLS NEAR HIM. ALL OF THEM MUST BE KEPT AWAY FROM HIM!"
"SO FROM NOW ON, YOU CAN'T GO NEAR HIM. YOU MUST COMPLETELY, TOTALLY, ABSOLUTELY GIVE HIM UP!"
...SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
YOUR ANSWER IS EXACTLY RIGHT! ♪
Will with joy

IDIOT.
MAYBE.
KIRI, YOU'RE ALWAYS WORKING SO HARD NOW THAT YOU'VE FINALLY LOST—
멍치
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU THAT YOU SHOULD HAVE CONFESSED TO HIM EARLIER ON

왜이러
OW!!
WH... WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
AI!
STILL HASN'T COME YET!
I just wanted to say that.
AH, TOOYA...
Nervous~!
Ahhh... Wu...
Snirk
I SEE... I SEE...

Wu~
CONGRATULA-
TIONS
YEAH!
THANKS

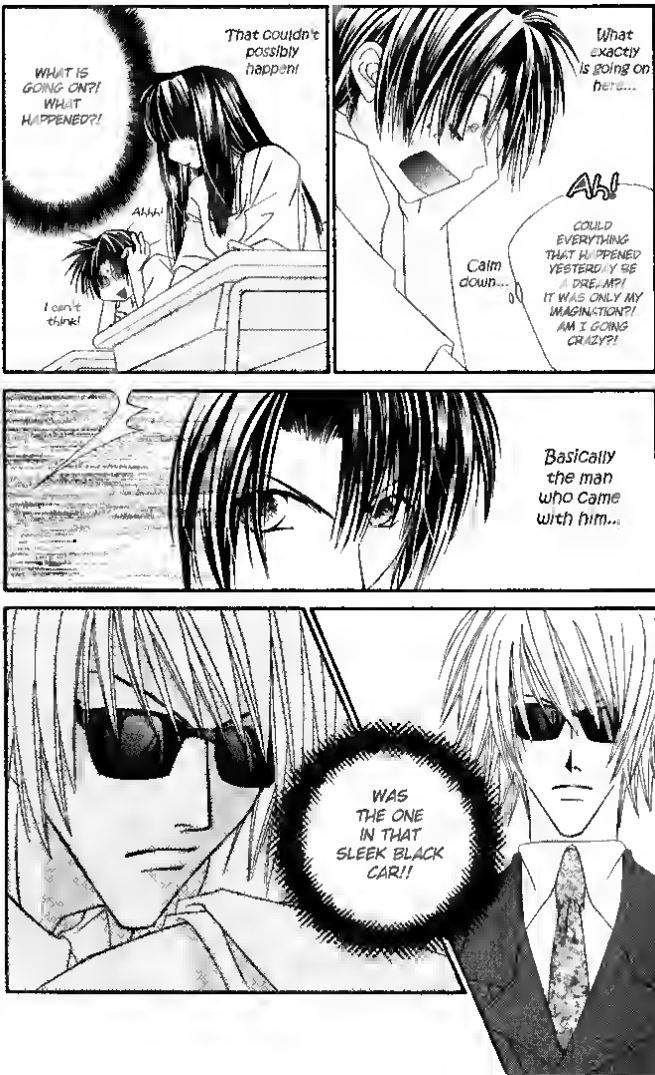
BUT THERE MAY BE MANY OBSTACLES AHEAD!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO PRAISE ME AND THEN PUSH ME BACK DOWN, OKAY?
I'LL WORK HARD.
BUT. .
GOOD!
GOOD LUCK!
I DEFINITELY WON'T GIVE UP!
But even though I'm saying this...
WHAT'S WRONG?
UM...

What's going on?
YEAH!
OH YEAH... NOW THAT YOU'VE MENTIONED IT, IS HE LATE?
He's late when he's me
I WONDER WHY TOOYA'S STILL NOT HERE YET...
I feel so uneasy for some reason.
The car there was parked in front of Tooya's house this morning.
HOME-ROOM'S GOING TO START NOW! GO TO YOUR SEATS!
Does it have something to do with Tooya being late?
If...
If I'm just being worried over nothing, it's okay
But...

What I wanted to say is
Open!
That there are still some things that I can't say! There's just a pile of them!
I APOLOGIZE FOR MY LATENESS.
Fu
뚜벅

Silence
Eh?
Who is he?!
Skurt
I DON'T KNOW! I WANT TO ASK HIM THAT TOO!
WAIT... WAIT A MINUTE, WHO IS THAT PERSON?

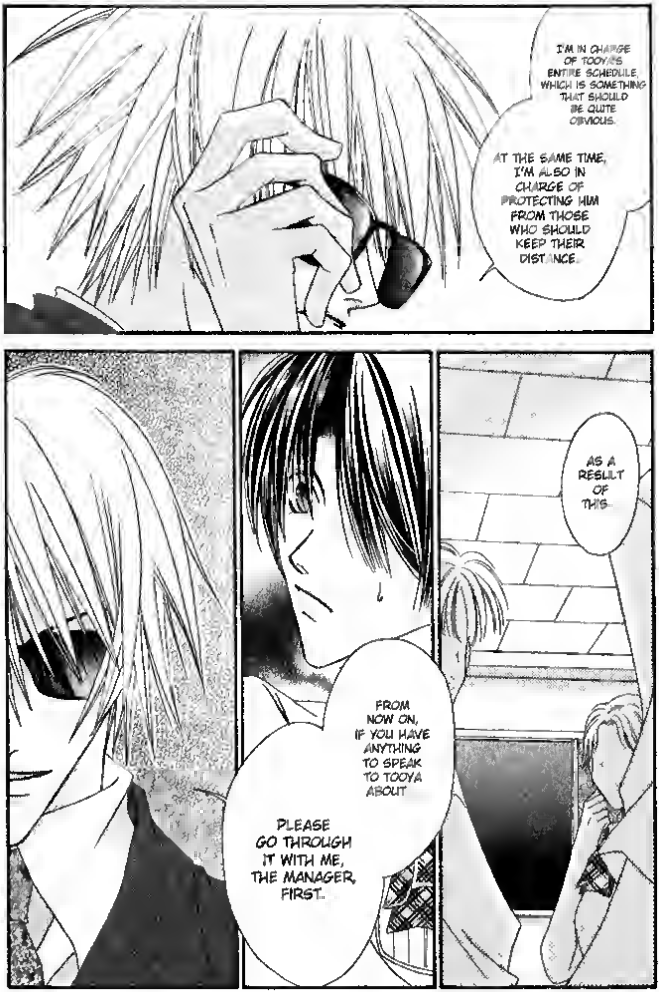
TATSUKI
Wah
I HAVE SOMETHING THAT I MUST TALK TO YOU ABOUT...
EH!
MORNING
Run run run
Tooya...
Gasp
WHAT?! A SIGH?! WHY?!
EH?!
Hwa!
AH


What exactly is going on here....
Ah!
COULD EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY BE A DREAM?! IT WAS ONLY MY IMAGINATION?! AM I GOING CRAZY?!
Calm down...
That couldn't possibly happen!
WHAT IS GOING ON?! WHAT HAPPENED?!
AHH!
I can't think!
Basically the man who came with him...
WAS THE ONE IN THAT SLEEK BLACK CAR!!

Pain!
I'm not imagining it, that person is the guy who was sitting in the car this morning!
AH! THIS FEELING OF A BAD OMEN IS MAKING MY HEART POUND!
DUN DUN DUN
I SHOULD SAY I'VE PRETTY MUCH DEDUCED IT CORRECTLY!
Nervous
Heh
WHAT?!

AH, DON'T MIND ME.
EXCUSE ME...
HOW CAN WE JUST IGNORE YOU!?!
PLEASE CONTINUE HAVING HOMEROOM.
FROM TODAY ONWARDS, I WILL BE TOOYA'S MANAGER
MY NAME IS ONIGAWARA, PLEASE REMEMBER MY FACE
HOW WRONG OF ME TO BE SO RUDE
AHH~ I GUESS I'M NOT BEING VERY CLEAR.

웅성
IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE HE'S AN ACTOR! IS HE AN ACTOR?!
AHA! WHAT SHOULD WE DO?!
AWESOME! IT'S REALLY TRUE!
Everyone calm down!
Hey!
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME MEETING A REAL ONE!
HE'S SO HOT!
BM
"Manager"?
A manager
It seems things have gotten complicated...
THIS IS A GOOD CHANCE, SO I'LL JUST SAY THIS FIRST.
Silence!
Cough cough


I'M IN CHARGE OF TOOYA'S ENTIRE SCHEDULE, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE QUITE OBVIOUS.
AT THE SAME TIME, I'M ALSO IN CHARGE OF PROTECTING HIM FROM THOSE WHO SHOULD KEEP THEIR DISTANCE.
AS A RESULT OF THIS...
FROM NOW ON, IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SPEAK TO TOOYA ABOUT...
PLEASE GO THROUGH IT WITH ME, THE MANAGER, FIRST.

I HOPE THAT EVERYBODY CAN UNDERSTAND

WAIT..! HOW DID IT END UP LIKE THIS?!
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Chapter 46

MANAGER?
응성
HE EVEN SAID THAT IF WE NEED TO SPEAK TO TOOYA, WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH HIM FIRST!
YEAH, YEAH, TOOYA HAS A MANAGER
ISN'T THAT COOL?
I HEARD THAT HE'S A MODEL. AH, I SAW HIM IN A COMMERCIAL ONCE!
응성
ISN'T HE GIVING OFF THAT CELEBRITY SNOBBY ATTITUDE?
IT LOOKS PRETTY INTERESTING. LET'S GO AND TAKE A LOOK!

Don't push!
TOOYA, YOU'RE DEFINITELY A FAMOUS CELEBRITY.
THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE COMING TO SEE YOU.
YOU'RE THE ONE THAT'S EYE-CATCHING.
.....

HEY, WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS?
About that
IT'S TOO DIFFICULT
Point
You're right about that
THE TWO OF YOU HAD FINALLY
AT THIS RATE THE NEXT STEP WON'T BE FOR ANOTHER 10 YEARS. EH?
...TAKEN THAT FIRST MIRACULOUS STEP
NO AT THIS RATE YOU'LL BE GOING BACKWARDS!
HAHA! YOU'RE BEING PRETTY CRUEL ABOUT THIS!

IT'S BECAUSE THAT MANAGER DOESN'T SEEM TO BUCCUME TO NORMAL METHODS.
Sigh
YEAH
That's exactly right.

And now I have a new enemy

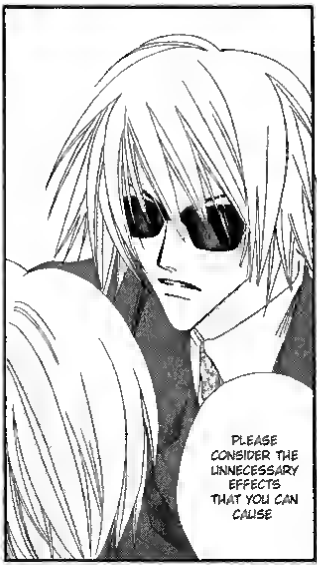
Instead of a warm and happy family you would rather choose Tooya?! Well?!
My wish was finally granted. I was headed towards the path of happiness!
But it was only for a moment.
I was pushed back by her arguments just like that. I couldn't say a word and even got chewed out

From now on, if you have anything to speak to Tooya about...
"...please go through it with me, the manager, first."
This man who suddenly appeared...
...is Tooya's manager, "Onigawara san"
THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CAUSED A COMMOTION AND ATTRACTED A CROWD
Glance
AT THIS RATE...

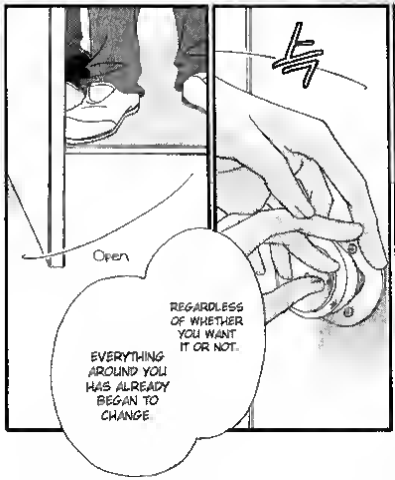
I CAN SEE HIS SOUL BURNING UP!!
HMM?
HE REALLY DID GET FRUSTRATED!!
ANGER
ANGER
ANGER
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
RESTROOM.
.....
WOULD... YOU... PLEASE...

IS THIS A BATTLEFIELD?
IT'S BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHEN OR WHERE SOMEONE WILL TRY TO ATTACK YOU
STOP FOLLOWING ME EVERY-WHERE!
IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU'RE JUST INVADING MY RIGHT TO PRIVACY
IT'S BECAUSE THIS IS MY JOB
Close
YOU KEEP SAYING "IT'S MY JOB IT'S MY JOB "
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ILLEGALLY TAKING AND SELLING PHOTOS HAS INCREASED
PREVENTING SUCH A THING FROM HAPPENING TO YOU IS ALSO PART OF MY JOB
SOMEONE LIKE YOU YOU'LL DO ANYTHING AS LONG AS IT'S YOUR JOB?
IT DOESN'T AFFECT YOUR CONSCIENCE? NO MATTER HOW HORRIBLE IT IS, YOU'LL STILL DO IT?

IF IT'S AN ORDER, YES.
ANGRY
YOU'LL DO ANYTHING?! REALLY?!
EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO STRIP DANCE MUD WRESTLE BUNGEE JUMP COSPLAY AS A MINI-SKIRT-WEARING POLICE OFFICER...
YOU'LL STILL DO IT?!
WHY ARE YOU GETTING SO EXCITED?
Is this an order?
YOU'RE LIKE A FROZEN PERSON!
YOU SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE YOUR OWN PERSONALITY...


PLEASE CONSIDER THE UNNECESSARY EFFECTS THAT YOU CAN CAUSE

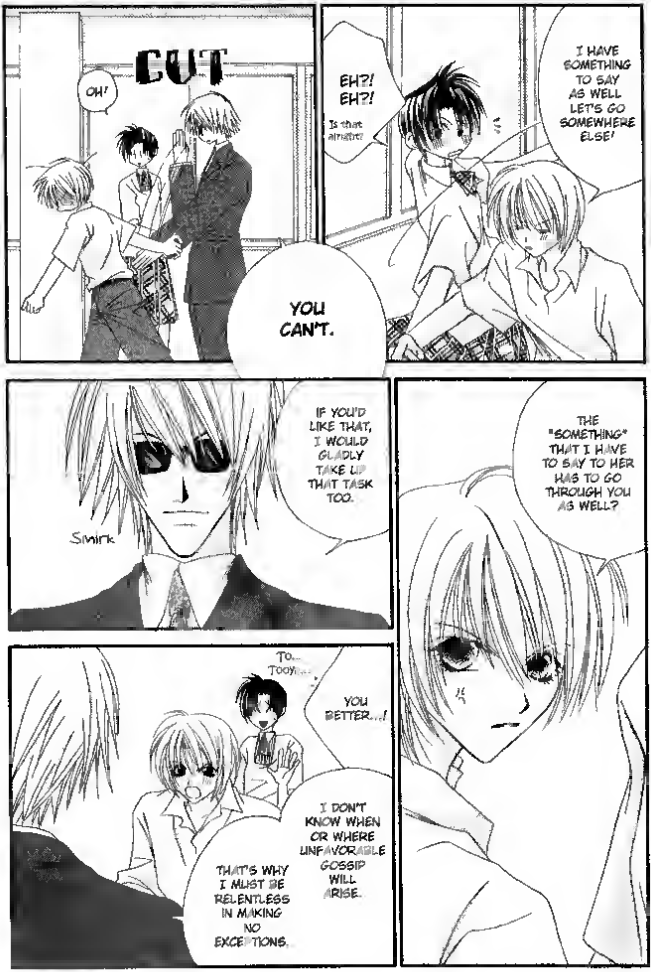
IF... YOU DON'T TRY TO AT LEAST CONSIDER YOUR SITUATION AND YOUR SURROUNDINGS I'LL BE VERY TROUBLED


Open
EVERYTHING AROUND YOU HAS ALREADY BEGAN TO CHANGE
REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU WANT IT OR NOT.

IF YOU KEEP ACTING LIKE A RECKLESS IDIOT...
THE REST OF THE SOCIETY AND I WILL BE VERY TROUBLED
....

I HOPE THAT YOU DON'T FORGET THIS.
I KNOW!
AH..!
TOOYA...!

10
IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO HIM, I'LL BE WILLING TO PASS ON THE MESSAGE.
AH!
SO YOU'RE HERE!
LUCKY!
Excited-!
Door closes
TOOYA! LISTEN!
LISTE...N?
SORRY.
Push
Knock!
EH- WELL, ABOUT THAT
DOES THIS PERSON EVEN FOLLOW TOOYA TO THE RESTROOM?


CUT
OH!
YOU CAN'T.
EH?! EH?!
Is that alright?
I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY AS WELL LET'S GO SOMEWHERE ELSE!
SMIRK
IF YOU'D LIKE THAT, I WOULD GLADLY TAKE UP THAT TASK TOO.
THE "SOMETHING" THAT I HAVE TO SAY TO HER HAS TO GO THROUGH YOU AS WELL?
TO... TOO!...
YOU BETTER...!
I DON'T KNOW WHEN OR WHERE UNFAVORABLE GOSSIP WILL ARISE.
THAT'S WHY I MUST BE RELENTLESS IN MAKING NO EXCEPTIONS.

I SHOULD THINK OF SOMETHING...
I'm not a dangerous person...
Ah... WELL, THIS IS IT! I'M THE DAUGHTER OF THE PRESIDENT OF TOOYA'S MODELING COMPANY.
Right?
I KNEW IT... TOOYA HAS ALREADY LOST CONTROL?
Wahh!
A CROWD IS ALREADY GATHERING
OKAY YOU'RE DONE
GOOD GOOD JOB
You!
EH... MY MOTHER WANTED ME TO PASS ON A MESSAGE
PLEASE GO AHEAD
SO?
Click
SINCE YOU ARE THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER, YOU PROBABLY UNDERSTAND THE CURRENT SITUATION.
IT'S PROBABLY CORRECT TO SAY WE'RE IN THE SAME BOAT.

PLEASE STOP TAKING THESE USELESS ACTIONS
FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR MOTHER, AS WELL AS THE COMPANY
But.
STOP LOOKING DOWN ON ME
This... Of course I understand...
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

FIRSTLY,
LET GO OF HER ARM
I APOLOGIZE
TOOYA ?

I CAN'T ALLOW IT.
YOU CAN'T. BLUNTLY!
KIRI, LET'S GO.
Um..
I'M NOT YOUR PET!!
I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING.
YOU BETTER BACK OFF!
NO MEANS NO.
AH...!!
KIRI IS MINE...!
I ALSO HAVE MY OWN STRENGTH SO I WON'T GIVE UP!

TIME'S UP.
There's a magazine interview.
Bastard
Pull Pull Pull
BEEP! BEEP! BEEP!
.....
Eh?
Uh
Eh? what?
It's over?
What's going on?
You don't know?
Dazed
EH...

Why... Why do I feel so exhausted?
오늘
AHHH!
HE'S A STRONG ENEMY!
When did you get here?
HUH?
HUH?
A long time ago!
"THAT GUY" SURE IS TRICKY, EH?
HUH?
Want some?

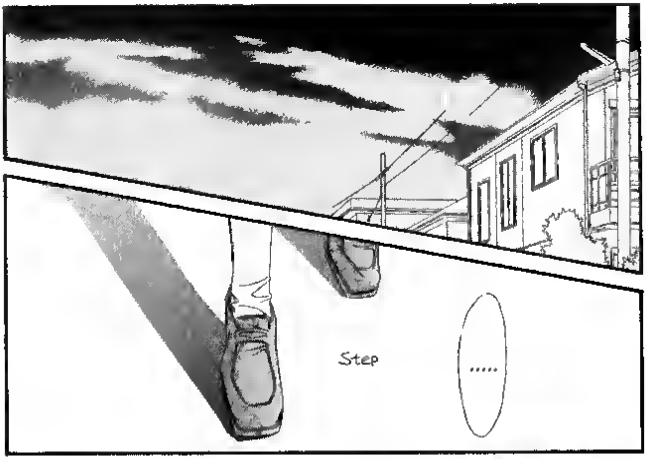
HE'S LIKE A PERFECT ROBOT, WITHOUT ANY ROOM FOR YOU TO GET PAST HIM, RIGHT?
(Cigarette)
HE'S NOT DOING THIS WITH ANY EVIL INTENTIONS.
ALL HE'S THINKING ABOUT IS "THIS IS MY JOB."
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT NOW ISN'T THE TIME TO CRY.
으헝헝
Knock Knock Knock
What mom said—
—YEAH, BUT—
—and what that man said I understand both of them

"I also have my own strength so I won't "give up!"

Heh!
YOU'VE BECOME STRONGER!

I also have a place that I won't give up
Hmmph!
So
I'LL WORK HARDER!!

IF NOTHING WORKS, FEEL FREE TO CRY AND BE COMFORTED BY ME
Pat
DON'T SAY SOMETHING SO PESSIMISTIC!


Step
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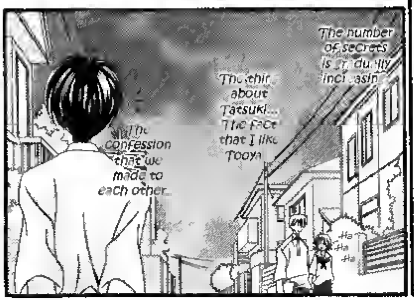
Even though I said I'll work harder...
IN REALITY, WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO ACTUALLY DO?


The number of secrets is actually increasing
The shit about Tatsuki... The face that I like Tooya
The confession that we made to each other...
Ha Ha Ha

Ohhh...

WHY IS IT HARDER TO SEE EACH OTHER NOW?
And what happened next was...
Even though I haven't become stronger
I must become stronger
BUT COMPLAINING WON'T CHANGE ANYTHING
Clench!
"You have become stronger!"
Because that's the only way that I'll be able to fight alongside Tooya

YOU'RE BACK!

AH...
WHAT'S WRONG?
I'M SEEING AN ILLUSION.
I'M THE REAL THING.
I CAME BACK RIGHT AFTER WORK WAS FINISHED
BUT THAT GUY WAS STANDING GUARD AT THE FRONT SO I SNUCK OUT FROM THE BACK
THAT GUY IS SO PERSISTENT!
BUT THIS PLACE ISN'T THAT SAFE...
LET'S GO TO A PLACE WHERE WE WON'T BE CAUGHT!

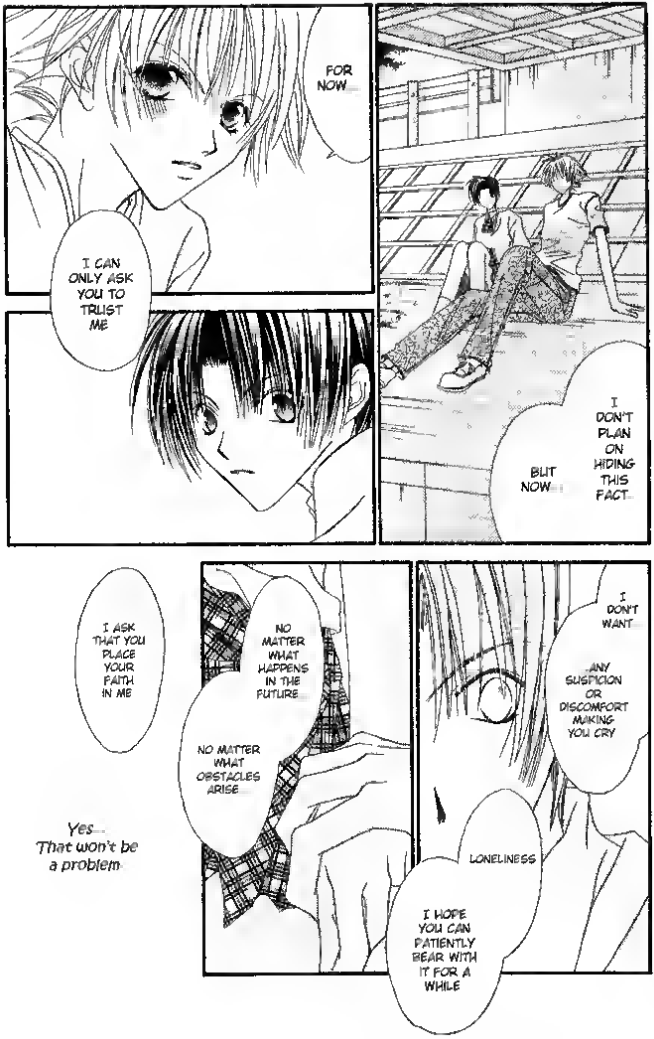
Why
Why do
I feel
Glance
.....

AH! AH!
THIS SOLEMN
SILENCE...
I SHOULD
SAY
SOMETHING!
I SHOULD
SAY
SOMETHING
TO HIM...
...BUT
WHAT?
AH...!
AH...!!

MY
HEART'S
BEATING
SO RAPIDLY!
Why is it
like this
even now?!
ACK!

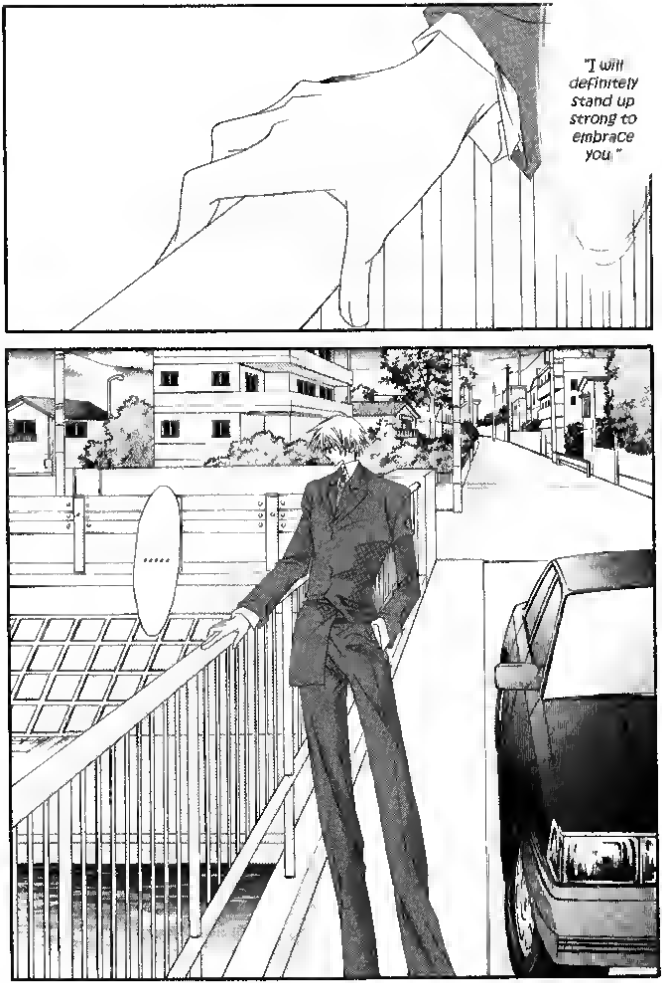
SORRY. DID YOU CRY?
Touch!
Ah—
—I M OKAY
SORRY

WHAT ONIGAWARA-SAN SAID...
...WAS EXACTLY WHAT MY MOTHER SAID TO ME.
EVERYTHING AROUND US IS GETTING TOO SERIOUS NOW.
WE CAN'T JUST THINK ABOUT OURSELVES.
IT'S STARTING TO ATTRACT A LOT OF PROBLEMS...
I...
NO MATTER WHO IT IS I CAN STAND UP FIRMLY AND SAY THAT...
I LOVE KIRI.


FOR NOW...
I CAN ONLY ASK YOU TO TRUST ME
I DON'T PLAN ON HIDING THIS FACT...
BUT NOW...
I ASK THAT YOU PLACE YOUR FAITH IN ME
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS IN THE FUTURE...
NO MATTER WHAT OBSTACLES ARISE...
I DON'T WANT...
...ANY SUSPICION OR DISCOMFORT MAKING YOU CRY
LONELINESS
I HOPE YOU CAN PATIENTLY BEAR WITH IT FOR A WHILE
Yes... That won't be a problem.

No matter what happens
I NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT GIVING UP!
We will never stop and give up.
.....

HEH!
Because we have the same goal.
So there'll definitely be no problem.
Since the two of us are together, there'll be no problem
I PROMISE YOU
THAT ONE DAY...



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A prince who's dreaming of becoming a princess

ASSESSING THE SITUATION.
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE THINKING FOR YOUR MOTHER OR FOR THE COMPANY.
"PLEASE DON'T DO ANYTHING THAT WILL ATTRACT TOO MUCH ATTENTION."
IF ONIGAWARA-SAN BECAME TOOYA'S MANAGER ONE DAY,
I KNOW HE'D NEVER LET ME GET CLOSE TO TOOYA.
I'M NOT ABLE TO COME UP WITH A REPLY SINCE WHAT HE SAYS MAKES SENSE.
BUT I'VE ALREADY MADE A DEAL WITH TOOYA,
AND PROMISED TO NEVER GIVE UP.
TOOYA AND I WILL WORK HARD TOGETHER!

"ONE DAY, I WILL STAND UP TALL AND EMBRACE YOU."
SPX. SLAMS
UNTIL THEN, I'LL WORK HARD AND DO WHATEVER I CAN.
OKAY, MOM, LET'S TALK ABOUT MY NEXT JOB!
Buddy

I'M SERIOUS.
HELLO? SORRY, CAN AN AMBULANCE COME IMMEDIATELY?
SFX: CUT!
COME ON, COME ON, COME ON!!!
HE-HE-HE-HE-HE-HE!
.....
I'M JUST THINKING THAT HAVING A FEW MORE MODELING JOBS WOULDN'T BE SO BAD!
Hehehe...
How can I say this...
OH RIGHT, I HEARD THAT TOOYA GOT A MANAGER?
Right?
SFX: Hoho
HE'S A PRETTY CRAFTY GUY, DIDN'T EVEN FORGET TO TELL ME HERE.
Hoh.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE ASKED ME ABOUT YOUR JOB ON YOUR OWN.
WHY DID YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND SO QUICKLY?
WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING ...?
AH... DON'T SAY THAT! I'M NOT PLANNING ANYTHING!

I HEARD THAT HE HAD TO PERSONALLY TALK TO YOU.
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU DIDN'T TAKE HIM SERIOUSLY?
AH..OF COURSE NOT...
AH...! I UNDERSTAND, SO THAT'S HOW IT IS...
SFX: NERVOUS
HE'S USED TO HAVING CONTROL OVER EVERYTHING...
SO HE WANTS ME TO WATCH OVER YOU TO PREVENT CAUSING HIM TROUBLE!
DAMN ... IT!
I CAN ANTICIPATE ANYTHING YOU THINK OF.
MY PLAN IS RUINED!
YOU WANT TO USE TATSUKI'S IDENTITY TO GET CLOSER TO TOOYA, RIGHT?
SFX: DEPRESSED

IS IT WRONG FOR ME TO WANT TO SEE TOOYA?
SO WHAT?
I'M WILLING TO DO ANYTHING TO STAY BY TOOYA'S SIDE. ANYTHING!
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY.. I'LL NEVER GIVE UP!
I'LL NEVER BACK DOWN ON THIS MATTER!

BUT DON'T THINK THAT YOU CAN MAKE ME BACK DOWN FROM THIS!

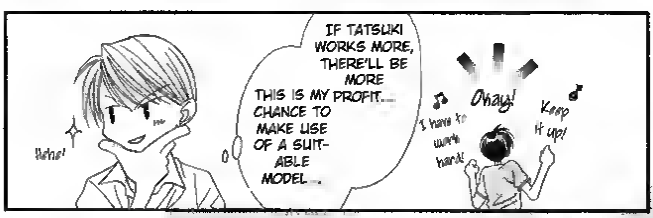
TO BE HONEST, I WANT TO USE TATSUKI'S IDENTITY TO WORK WITH TOOYA.
BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO CAUSE HIM ANY FURTHER TROUBLE.

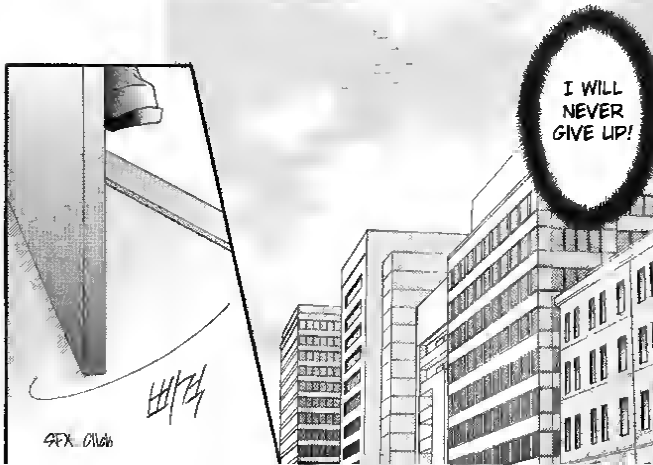
SFX RUSTLE

HEART BEAT
.....

AS LONG AS IT'S ONLY "TATSUKI" AROUND TOOYA, THERE'S NOTHING I CAN COMPLAIN ABOUT.
THAT'S FINE!
EH?
SFX EXTINGUISHES
UNLESS YOU WANT TO QUIT?
YOU'RE JUST HONESTLY HELPING ME EARN SOME MONEY!
Mom...
SFX: Hahel
Buddy

DESPITE ALL YOUR COMPLAINING,
YOU REALLY DO SUPPORT ME AFTER ALL!
THANK YOU!


Hehe!
IF TATSUKI WORKS MORE, THERE'LL BE MORE CHANCE TO MAKE USE OF A SUITABLE MODEL...
THIS IS MY PROFIT...
Okay!
I have to work hard!
Keep it up!


I WILL NEVER GIVE UP!
SFX: Click

SFX: Startled

!
LONG TIME NO SEE!

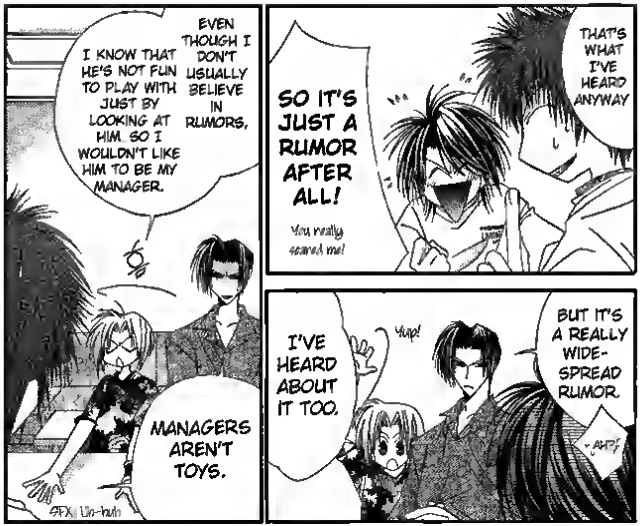
Ah...
YOU JERK... I'M YOUR ELDER..
SFX: Hugs
RIKU
SFX: Loving atmosphere
SFX: Clinging
I WANT A HUG TOO!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
Ah, Akira's here too!
WE CAME HERE BECAUSE WE HEARD THAT YOU'LL BE WORKING TODAY
We've been waiting for so long.
NO, WE HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO DO LATER
RIKU, DO YOU HAVE A PHOTO SHOOT TODAY?
Chishin! Enough with the sweet talk! Blahblahblah!
Don't just ignore me!
Hey!
LONG TIME NO SEE. ARE YOUR FEET FEELING BETTER NOW?
YUP, IT'S ALL HEALED!
Thanks for asking!

BY THE WAY, WHERE'S TOOYA?
AH, HE SHOULD BE HERE SOON.
EH? YOU DIDN'T HEAR?
TOOYA'S NOT GOING TO BE WITH US TODAY.
WHAT?!
HE'S WORKING SOME-WHERE ELSE TODAY
I'VE HEARD THAT HE'S DOING A PHOTO SHOOT FOR THE FEEL* MAGAZINE...
I'VE BEEN FIGURED OUT!
Curse my sharp mom!
SFX: Gasp!

*EDITOR'S NOTE: THIS WORD WAS IN ENGLISH

YOU KNEW ABOUT THAT TOO? HE SURE KNOWS HOW TO SPREAD THE NEWS AROUND.
TOOYA HAS A MANAGER NOW, RIGHT?
OH, RIGHT!
EH? What?!
YEAH, HIS MANAGER IS ONIGA-WARA--SAN..
탁!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT?
YEAH, THAT POOR GUY...
ME TOO~
THAT'S... WELL...
I feel sorry for him
탁
UNION
GFX Clatter

WH... WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN ..?
SFX: Gulp
ONCE YOU'RE CHOSEN BY ONIGAWARA...
IT'S LIKE BEING SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON!
HIS FREEDOM HAS BEEN COMPLETELY TAKEN AWAY.
NO ONE CAN GET CLOSE TO HIM.
HIS DAY IS SCHEDULED DOWN TO THE VERY SECOND. HE'S ALSO UNDER 24 HOUR SURVEILLANCE... IT'S REALLY HORRIBLE!
WHAT, WHAT, WHAT, WHAT?
SFX: Oh no!


I KNOW THAT HE'S NOT FUN TO PLAY WITH JUST BY LOOKING AT HIM. SO I WOULDN'T LIKE HIM TO BE MY MANAGER.
EVEN THOUGH I DON'T USUALLY BELIEVE IN RUMORS,
MANAGERS AREN'T TOYS.
SFX: Un-hun
SO IT'S JUST A RUMOR AFTER ALL!
You really scared me!
THAT'S WHAT I'VE HEARD ANYWAY
I'VE HEARD ABOUT IT TOO.
Yup!
BUT IT'S A REALLY WIDE-SPREAD RUMOR.
Ah?

NOT ONLY ARE THEY POPULAR OVERSEAS, BUT ARE THE #1 CELEBRITIES OUT THERE TODAY.
I'VE MET A FEW PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD HIM AS THEIR MANAGER.
HE'S VERY SKILLED IN HIS PROFESSION.
BUT, THERE'S ONE THING THAT'S CLEAR.

THERE ARE LOTS OF RUMORS ABOUT HIM,
BUT HE'S NOT A RUDE PERSON.
EITHER WAY, THAT OLD MAN WON'T USE HIM.
SO HIS BIGGEST FLAW IS THAT HE CAN MAKE YOU GO CRAZY IF YOU JUST LOOK AT HIM...
I'VE NEVER WORKED MUCH WITH HIM BEFORE, BUT I DON'T HAVE A BAD IMPRESSION OF HIM.
Morning!
I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE WAY HE DOES THINGS,
BUT GETTING RID OF OBSTACLES IS JUST ONE OF A MANAGER'S JOBS...
SFX: CLICK
OBSTACLES...
HE'S GIVING YOU LOTS OF RESTRICTIONS, RIGHT? BUT...
!
SFX: PAT

YOU'LL DEFINITELY BE FIGHTING BACK AGAIN.
SFX: PAT PAT

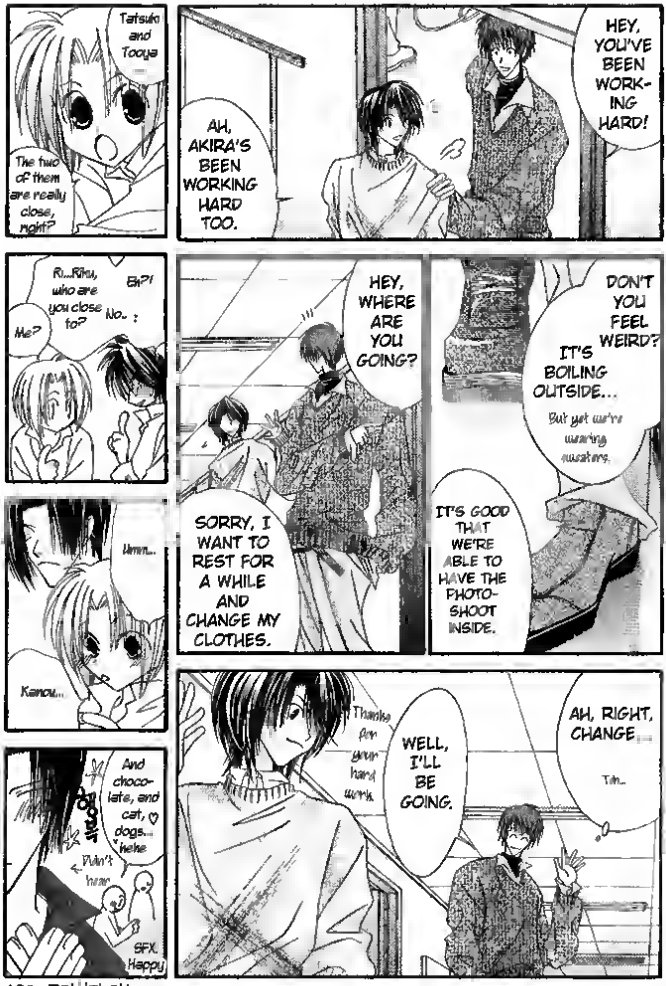
"IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT HAPPENS,
OR WHAT OBSTACLES WE MAY FACE..."

"YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE ME!"
"I WON'T GIVE UP."
I'LL WORK HARD TO OVERCOME THIS!
Eh?
HH
UNION

SFX. SMILES

NO ..NO!
BECAUSE... SO!
SFX: STANDS UP
AFFEC-TION?
Isn't Tanya the one that's in trouble?
WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT?
AH!
SO YOU HAVE TO WORK HARD!
He have to go soon.
Okay.
ANY WAY ...
EH, I THINK SO TOO!
YOU TWO SEEM TO BE MORE COM-FORTABLE WHEN YOU'RE TO-GETHER.

AH...
YES!
IT SUDDENLY FEELS LIKE I'VE GAINED SO MUCH STRENGTH FROM EVERYONE...
I'LL WORK HARD!
THANK YOU!
WORK HARD!
WORK HARD!


Tatsuki and Tooya
The two of them are really close, right?
HEY, YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD!
AH, AKIRA'S BEEN WORKING HARD TOO.
Ri...Rika, who are you close to?
Eh?!
Me?
No..
HEY, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
SORRY, I WANT TO REST FOR A WHILE AND CHANGE MY CLOTHES.
DON'T YOU FEEL WEIRD? IT'S BOILING OUTSIDE...
But yet we're wearing sweaters.
IT'S GOOD THAT WE'RE ABLE TO HAVE THE PHOTO-SHOOT INSIDE.
Umm...
Kanou...
AH, RIGHT, CHANGE...
Tch...
WELL, I'LL BE GOING.
Thanks for your hard work.
And chocolate, and cat, ♡ dogs... *hehe
Didn't hear
SFX. Happy

SFX. CLINK
Beep!
Ka
Hua!
"OBSTACLES", HUH...
Dong
Ka
MAYBE I AM AN OBSTACLE TO TOOYA'S MODELING CAREER ...

EVEN IF I RAISE MY SOCIAL STATUS,
HE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT ME BESIDE HIM.
OF COURSE TOOYA AS A MODEL
DOESN'T NEED ME,
BUT PERSONALLY, HE STILL NEEDS ME
I UNDER-STAND THIS POINT WELL
탁
THAT'S WHY I'M STAND-ING HERE AS "TATSUKI."
SFX CLICK!
I'LL REMAIN LIKE THIS
I'M ONLY SITTING HERE RIGHT NOW
I BELIEVE THAT HE THINKS THE SAME
BECAUSE OF THIS LITTLE SELF-CONFIDENCE

AFTER THAT, WE'LL GO GET THE STUFF...
OF COURSE MY FINAL GOAL...
IS TO MAKE EVERYONE RECOGNIZE US AS A COUPLE!
꺄아
SPX FIRED UP!
JUST WAIT AND SEE!
!!
I HAVE TO DO ALL OF THESE THINGS TOO?
THIS IS PART OF THE JOB.
HE'S ALREADY WAITING. I'LL GO SEE HIM RIGHT AFTER THIS. THEN, WE'LL GO EAT TOGETHER.

LUCKY!
KI... NO! TATSUKI?!
TOOYA!
SFX. AH
I HAVEN'T MET YOU BEFORE
I'M WORKING HERE TODAY TOO. YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD!
GOD IS ON MY SIDE TODAY! I'M SO LUCKY!

I'M TOOYA'S MANAGER, ONIGAWARA. IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU TOO.
SFX: SHAKE
TOOYA AND I ARE FROM THE SAME COMPANY. I'M "TATSUKI". IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.
SFX: GRIP
"TATSUKI"-SAN.
!
EH..?
--WHAT HAPPENED? AM I JUST BEING PARANOID?
THERE'S NO MORE TIME. TOOYA, GO AND GET YOUR STUFF QUICKLY.

OKAY, BYE!
SORRY "TATSUKI" -SAN..
GOOD-BYE "TAT-SUKI", I'LL TALK TO YOU LATER.

CAN YOU DO ME A FAVOR?
DON'T GET TOO CLOSE TO TOOYA.

TEN DAYS AGO, YOU AND TOOYA ATTENDED A SHOW, TOGETHER RIGHT?
WHY?!
TOOYA AND I ARE FROM THE SAME COMPANY AND ALSO STARTED MODELING AT THE SAME TIME...
THAT'S EXACTLY THE PROBLEM.
...WHAT?
YOU ALSO KNEW THAT THE ORGANIZERS OF THE SHOW PLANNED TO PICK A MODEL FROM THE SHOW,
SO YOU INTENDED TO BE CHOSEN, RIGHT?
BUT,
THEY PICKED TOOYA INSTEAD.

SFX: ADJUSTS GLASSES
EVEN THOUGH YOU TWO ARE FROM THE SAME COMPANY AND STARTED MODELING AT THE SAME TIME...
TOOYA HAS ALREADY EXCEEDED YOU!
THERE'S A LOT OF JEALOUSY IN THIS WORLD
THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE WILLING TO HOLD OTHERS BACK, SO I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
WHAT ...?!
I WOULD NEVER ...!
I DIDN'T SAY THAT YOU'RE JEALOUS OF TOOYA.
BUT YOU CAN'T PROVE THAT YOU'RE NOT JEALOUS OF HIM EITHER.

WHAT IS THIS BASTARD SAYING...
WHAT...
NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE PROB-
IT'S MY LEM IS, JOB TO GET RID OF THEM ALL.
WHAT SHOULD I DO?!

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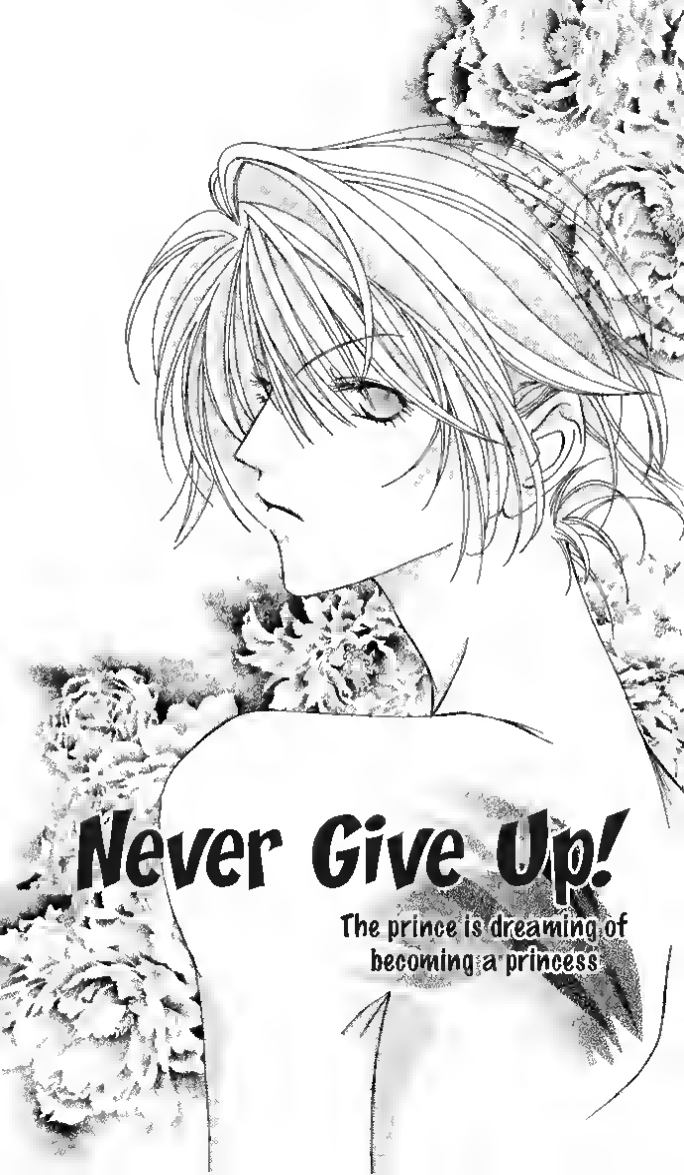
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The prince is dreaming of becoming a princess

I CAN'T LOSE,
SO...
"CAN YOU DO ME A FAVOUR?"
"UP UNTIL NOW, YOU'VE ALREADY CONFRONTED A LOT OF PROBLEMS."
"SO CONTINUE TO WORK HARD!"
THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE CHEERING ME ON,
SO I HAVE TO WORK HARD. I DON'T WANT TO LOSE.
"I WON'T GIVE UP."
THAT'S RIGHT, I WON'T GIVE UP EITHER!

"DON'T GET TOO CLOSE TO TOOYA."
IT'S THAT GUY AGAIN!
I JUST WANT TO STAY BY TOOYA'S SIDE!
THAT'S ALL!!
"I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE PLANNING."
WAIT, THIS IS ALL JUST A MISUNDER-STANDING!
"TOOYA'S NOT THE SAME PERSON HE USED TO BE."
WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
"WHY?"

"HE HAS BECOME A MODEL ROBOT WHICH I CAN CONTROL!"
?!
Ya!
SFX: CLANK, CLANK
NOOOO!
SFX: SITS UP

AHHHH! TOOYA, I'M SORRY!
Imagining you like this!
I can't forgive myself!
SFX: CLANK CLANK
IT WAS JUST A NIGHT-MARE
SFX: HUFF HUFF
"DON'T GET TOO CLOSE TO TOOYA."
ALL MY CONNECTIONS WITH TOOYA HAVE BEEN SEVERED
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
BUT
At least it was just a dream!
SFX: CLANK
NOT EVEN "TATSUKI" CAN GET CLOSE TO HIM.

SFX: CLICK
찰칵
I JUST WANT TO BE WITH TOOYA.
IS THAT SUCH A CRIME. (2
TCH!

AH, REALLY? SORRY!
I didn't notice
TATSUKI'S REALLY DARING TODAY.
TATSUKI, YOU'RE TOO CLOSE TO HIM.
I'LL HAVE TO TAKE EVERY LITTLE CHANCE I CAN GET...
WHEN THERE'S A POLICY, THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A COUNTER-MEASURE,
Oh-Tooya-
IF YOU THINK I'LL CRY MYSELF TO SLEEP, THEN YOU'RE WRONG!
H... HEY!
HOW'S THIS! YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING WHILE WE'RE IN A PHOTO SHOOT!
Ingenious
SFX. GLANCES OVER
.....

I'LL DEFI-NITELY FIND A WAY!
I'LL DEFI-NITELY FIND A WAY TO MAKE HIM UNDER-STAND
TOOYA?

PLEASE LOOK THIS WAY.
JUST DON'T TALK ABOUT THAT RIGHT NOW...
TOOYA?
But
AH, SORRY.
I'M FINE.
I'M FINE, REALLY.
We're in middle of work
CLICK
SORRY,
I HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO BE WITH YOU RECENTLY.

ONIGAWARA SAID A LOT OF UNPLEASANT THINGS, RIGHT?
I'M SORRY ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO DO ANYTHING AT SUCH A CRITICAL TIME..
I'M FINE.
TOOYA'S TRYING HIS BEST TOO, RIGHT?
SO WE CAN WORK HARD TO-GETHER

...H.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
정규과
OKAY!
WE'RE DONE.
.....
GOOD JOB

GOOD JOB GUYS!
Akira-kun's up next for the photo shoot.
LET'S GO REST IN THE SHADE!
I'LL GO BUY SOMETHING FROM THE VENDING MACHINE.
What do you want?
What's you hand doing?
THE CAR'S HERE. LET'S GO.
SFX SWISH
OUR NEXT APPOINT-MENT'S COMING UP SOON SO WE NEED TO LEAVE!
TAT-SUKI!
SFX: MMPH

SFX: IMMEDIATE EXPRESSION CHANGE

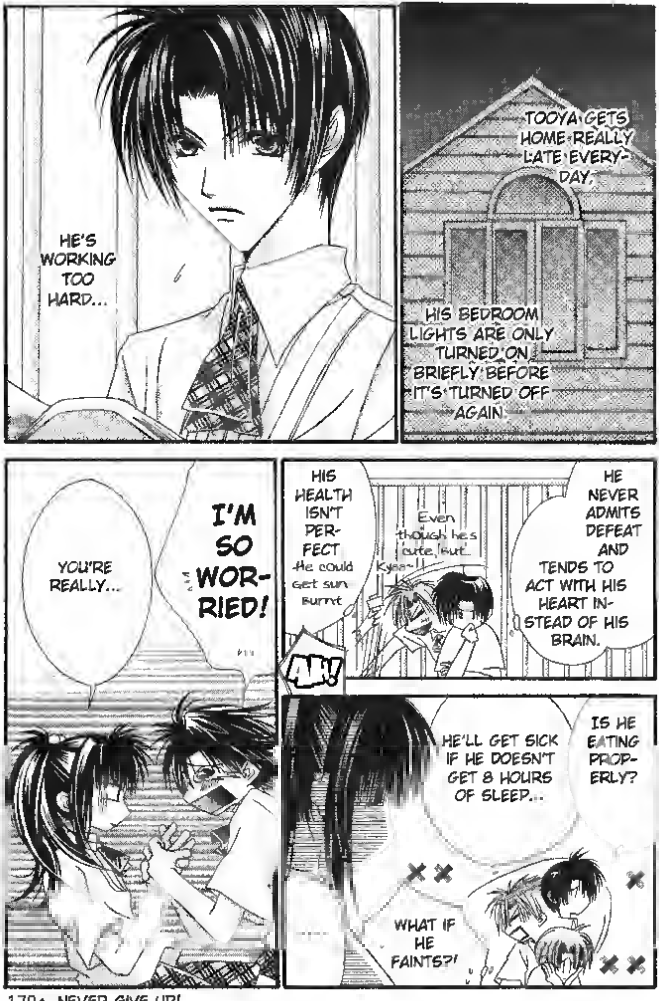
OKAY, I'LL SEE YOU LATER
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
TOOYA EVEN LOOKED AT MY WORK SCHEDULE ♡
WE'LL BE WORKING TOGETHER AGAIN IN A FEW DAYS, THEN
SO I'LL SEE YOU

SFX: BLOCKS

I WON'T ADMIT DEFEAT!
SFX: TURNS AROUND

AHHHH, I'M SO BUSY~
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE? Or are you temporarily dead?
I'M FINE... I'm not dead yet
I ONLY GET TO WORK WITH TOOYA EVERY TWO WEEKS.
I CAN SEE THAT YOUR MOM REALLY UNDERSTANDS HOW YOU WORK.
SHE'S USING TOOYA AS BAIT.
REALLY?
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE! MY MOM'S TAKING THIS CHANCE TO GIVE ME AS MUCH WORK AS SHE CAN.
WOW! YOU HAVE WORK SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS. And you still have to go to school? That's amazing.
Sigh
WHICH IS FINE... But!
I DEFINITELY KNOW THAT SHE'S UP TO SOMETHING I CAN'T AVOID!
I might not even get a chance to see Tooya for every two weeks!
YOU'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT~ You even drew a flower

BEING A PROFESSIONAL MODEL MUST REALLY BE HARD.
I'VE BEEN SEEING TOOYA IN MAGAZINES A LOT RECENTLY.
Want to see?
YEAH ...
TOOYA RARELY COMES TO SCHOOL, AND EVEN WHEN HE DOES,
ONIGAWARA-SAN IS WITH HIM SO YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO GET CLOSE TO HIM.
That's what I'm saying!
THE ONLY TIME YOU CAN GET CLOSE TO HIM IS AT WORK.
You're trying your best
MANO-SENSEI'S VERY PICKY.
FEEL'S MODELS ARE HAND PICKED BY HIM.
SO OF COURSE HE WOULD APPEAR IN VARIOUS MAGAZINES.


HE'S WORKING TOO HARD...
TOOYA GETS HOME REALLY LATE EVERY DAY.
HIS BEDROOM LIGHTS ARE ONLY TURNED ON BRIEFLY BEFORE IT'S TURNED OFF AGAIN.
I'M SO WORRIED!
YOU'RE REALLY...
HIS HEALTH ISN'T PERFECT. He could get sun burnt
Even though he's cute, but...
Kyaa~!!
HE NEVER ADMITS DEFEAT AND TENDS TO ACT WITH HIS HEART INSTEAD OF HIS BRAIN.
AH!
IS HE EATING PROPERLY?
HE'LL GET SICK IF HE DOESN'T GET 8 HOURS OF SLEEP...
WHAT IF HE FAINTS?!

AHAHA!
It's so hot!
The sun's so bright...
WE'RE SHOOTING OUTSIDE AGAIN?
You may as well just burn me!
ARE THINGS
REALLY OKAY LIKE THIS?
Glances around
They especially arranged for us to take different cars.
LET'S SEE.. WHERE'S TOOYA...
Stupid stalker
IT'S THAT STUPID STALKER AGAIN...
IS HE ONE OF TOOYA'S ESSENTIAL NEEDS NOW?
It's so hot
I'VE FOUND HIM!
HM...?
BUT... IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S REALLY HOT IN THAT SHIRT HE'S WEARING...
I feel sorry for him...

TOOYA'S ACTING WEIRD.
IS HE REALLY THAT UNCOMFORTABLE.?
I WANT TO GO OVER THERE TOO!
WHY ISN'T AKIRA BEING TOLD TO STAY AWAY?!
AH THE PAIN
HOW CHEEKY!
Hello!
AKIRA'S SO SLY!
IF THINGS WERE THE WAY THEY USED TO BE, I WOULD'VE JUST WALKED OVER THERE.
.....

AKIRA!
IF I'M WITH AKIRA, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO TALK TOGETHER!
COME ON, HURRY UP!
AH, I SEE...
!
COME ON, COME ON!

whisks away
SORRY, WE'LL BE LEAVING.

I'M FINE LITTLE THINGS LIKE THAT DON'T BOTHER ME..
I know how you feel
BUT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING DOESN'T MATCH YOUR AURA..
HOW CRUEL..
Are you okay?
DAMN IT!
SFX. PATS
EH, EH, EH, EH..
RIGHT NOW THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS...
TOOYA, HE DOESN'T LOOK SO WELL...
NO MATTER WHAT, I'LL GO AND TELL ONIGA-WARA--SAN!
SFX. RUNS
OKAY!
UWAH!
SFX. FIRED UP
DIDN'T ONIGAWARA-SAN NOTICE ANYTHING?
Hey are you sure you're fine?
BEING UNDER THIS HEAT FOR SO LONG, TOOYA MIGHT—

ONIGA-WARA--SAN!
CAN I TALK TO YOU FOR A MOMENT?
AH...
THEY ALREADY STARTED...
WHAT IS IT? PLEASE MAKE IT BRIEF.
IT'S ABOUT TOOYA.
DID I NOT MAKE MYSELF CLEAR ENOUGH?

.ISN'T FEELING THAT WELL ..?
I THINK... THAT TOOYA ISN'T FEELING THAT WELL?
WHAT A JERK. ...!
I WASN'T REFERING TO THAT ..
Oh?
HE DOESN'T LOOK ANY DIFFERENT THAN USUAL TO ME
HE LOOKS COM-PLETELY DIFFERENT THAN USUAL!
HE DIDN'T MENTION ANY-THING TO ME
ANY-WAYS ...

CAN'T HE SEE...
THAT TOOYA WON'T LAST MUCH LONGER?
PLEASE LET HIM TAKE A BREAK...!
EVEN IF HE NEEDS TO TAKE A REST, IT'S NOT UP TO YOU TO DECIDE HOW HE WORKS.
YOU MIS-UNDER-STOOD ME!
Ah, Tooya's illness...
...
HE'LL FAINT.

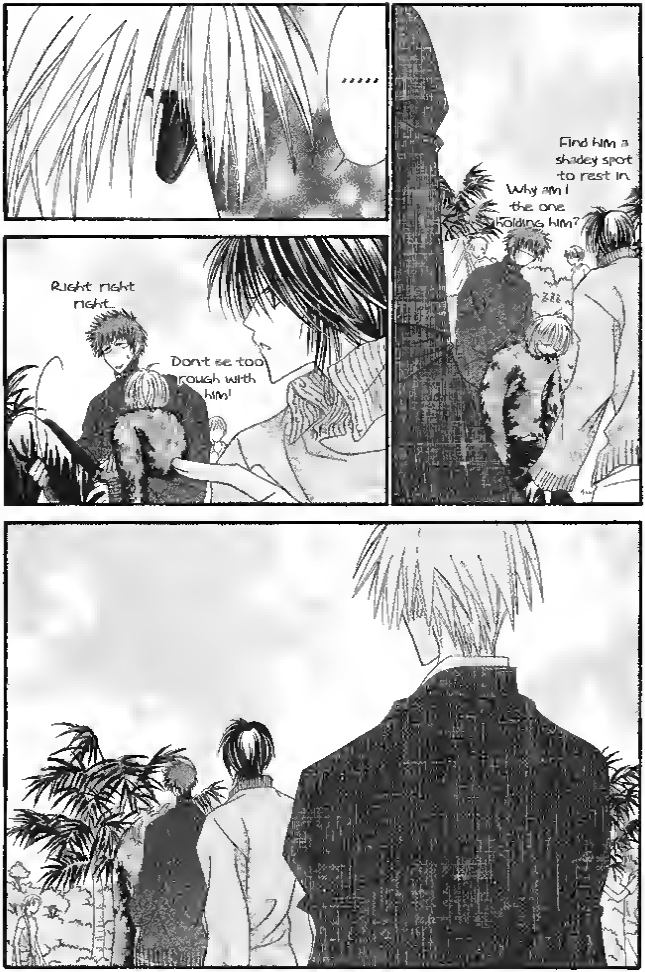
HE LOOKS SICK...
...KIRI?
WHAT-ARE THEY ARGUING ABOUT?
ONIGAWARA SAN'S BOTHERING HER AGAIN...
PLEASE JUST LET HIM TAKE A BREAK...
AH...
EVEN IF IT'S JUST FOR A DAY...
NO, EVEN FOR JUST AN HOUR!
SFX THUD

TOOYA ?!
ARE YOU AL-RIGHT ?

SO TOOYA REALLY WASN'T FEELING WELL AFTER ALL . ?
I'M FINE... I JUST NEED TO REST FOR A WHILE...
NO ONE NOTICED, SO WHY...
TOOYA!
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU HAVE A FEVER.
SFX TWITCHES

squeezes

Holds
What? He's asleep now?
Let him rest. We'll wait until he wakes up
We'll shoot the other's parts first!
ZZZZZ..
HE'S ASLEEP.
!
TOOYA?!



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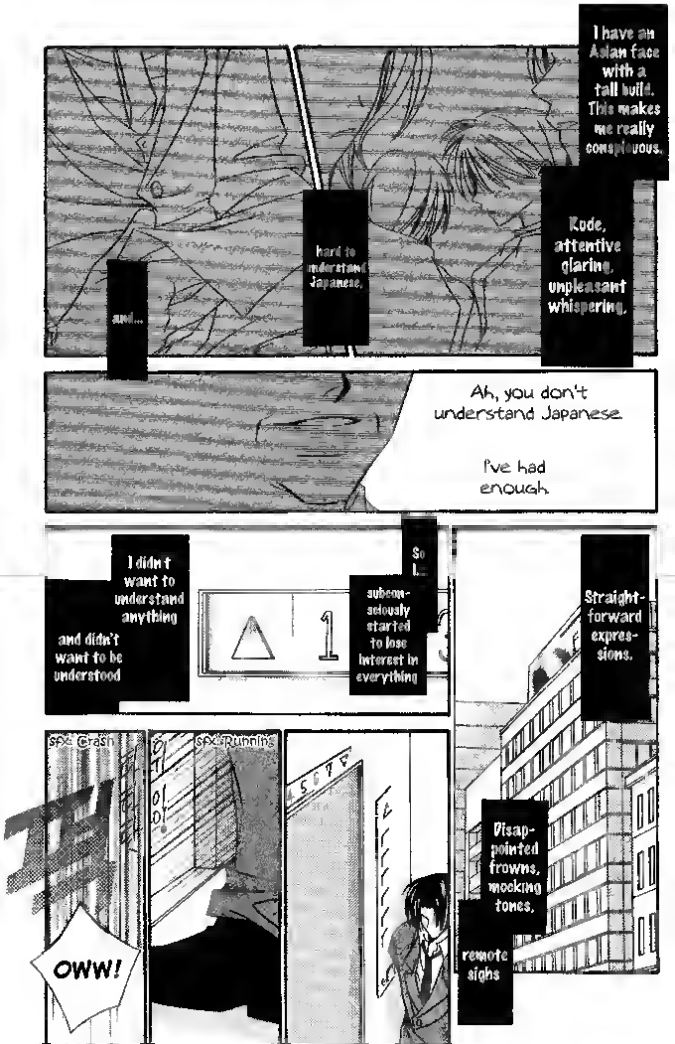
LOOK, LOOK. THAT GUY'S REALLY TALL, ISN'T HE?
WOW, HE REALLY STANDS OUT. AND HE'S SO HANDSOME!
AH, YOU IDIOT. YOU WERE TOO LOUD!
HE'S LOOKING THIS WAY! HOW EMBARRASSING!
?
WHAT ARE THEY SAYING?
I've been in Japan for several years now.
and I encounter these kinds of things everyday.


I have an Asian face with a tall build. This makes me really conspicuous.
Rude, attentive glaring, unpleasant whispering,
hard to understand Japanese,
and...
Ah, you don't understand Japanese.
I've had enough.
I didn't want to understand anything
and didn't want to be understood
So I...
subconsciously started to lose interest in everything
Straightforward expressions.
Disappointed frowns, mocking tones,
remote sighs
SFX: Crash
SFX: Running
OWW!

?!
AH, SORRY...
OWW...!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING STANDING IN THE ELEVATOR DOOR?
WHAT WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS GUY?
"Pole"?! He called me a "pole"?!
AH, DON'T TELL ME THAT—
YOU'RE WORKING FOR FEEL? THEY CHANGED LOCATIONS—
It's this way, follow me~
WOW
IT'S A POLE.
IT'S ON THE THIRD FLOOR.
Ah, the elevator's on the upper floor
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME WORKING FOR FEEL. I'M SO EXCITED!
I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE. WHAT COMPANY ARE YOU FROM? I'M—

EH...?
.....
WHY AREN'T YOU SAYING ANYTHING?
sfx: Heartbeat
THIS LITTLE BRAT SURE TALKS A LOT...
have no idea what he's talking about
PLEASE EXCUSE ME...
MY JAPANESE ISN'T VERY GOOD...
DIRECT EYE CONTACT...
YOU CAN CALL ME "RIKU".
YOU JUST HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT.
BUT...
Ding
1 2 3 4 STRAIGHT-FORWARD LANGUAGE...
MAKES ME BLANK OUT
AH, IS THAT SO?
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO EARLIER!
MY SHADOW REFLECTING IN HIS EYES...
sfx: Swoosh
FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE I CAME TO JAPAN
"RIKU"...
HE TAUGHT ME THAT I TRULY EXISTED
AT THAT MOMENT...
boy meets boy/END

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